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BORDER DEVELOPMENTS

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1. KUWAITI PRESS ACCOUNTS OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING THE KUWAIT-IRAQ BORDER PORTRAY GENERAL GOK SATISFACTION, AND OPTIMISM ABOUT AT LEAST THE SHORT TREND OF DEVELOPMENTS. KUWAITI DEF MIN/INT MIN SHEIKH SA'AD AL-ABDULLAH IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT FIRST TROOP WITHDRAWALS WERE COMPLETED BY BOTH SIDES ON JULY 21, AND LATER REPORTS ASSERT THAT THE SECOND AND FINAL PHASE IS TO BE COMPLETED JULY 23. THE "LINE" BEHIND WHICH TROOPS ARE TO WITHDRAW A DISTANCE OF ONE KILOMETER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE PRESS AS THE LINE ALONG WHICH ARAB LEAGUE TROOPS WERE DEPLOYED IN 1961, AFTER THEY REPLACED UK FORCES CALLED TO PROTECT KUWAIT.

2. THE ISSUE OF MOST IMMEDIATE INTEREST IN KUWAIT NOW SEEMS TO BE THE POSSIBLE OPENING OF THE BORDER TO PERMIT LAND ACCESS TO IRAQ BY KUWAITI NATIONALS.
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ONE REPORT QUOTES INT MIN UNDER SEC GENERAL AL-THWEINI AS SAYING THAT THE BORDER WILL BE OPENED THIS WEEK AFTER THE TROOP WITHDRAWALS ARE COMPLETE, BUT MOST OTHER REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE MATTER WILL BE ON THE AGENDA OF THE JULY 24 WEEKLY KUWAITI CABINET MEETING. THE GENERAL IMPRESSION IS THAT THE CABINET WILL EITHER BE DECIDING THE ISSUE OR DELEGATING AUTHORITY

TO DO SO TO SHEIKH SA'AD.

3. THE PRESS REPORTS THAT SHEIKH SA'AD AND HIS IRAQI
COUNTERPART, INT MIN IZZAT AL-DURI, WILL HEAD THE
BILATERAL MINISTERIAL BORDER COMMITTEE, THE
CREATION OF WHICH WAS EARLIER AGREED UPON, AND THERE IS ONE
REPORT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL MEET SOON
TO DISCUSS DEMARCATION.
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